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Canal Winchester Receives State Funding

CANAL WINCHESTER – The City of Canal Winchester is pleased to announce that \$1,672,485 has been awarded by the Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) for the Gender Road Phase III Project. All of the funds awarded by OPWC are in the form of a grant. The remaining amount of the roughly \$2,125,000 project will be covered by local funds, including funds committed by the Village of Lithopolis, a partner in the project.

The project consists of replacing the Lithopolis Rd and Gender Rd. skewed, traditional signalized intersection with a modern roundabout traffic circle. “We are thrilled with the funding we received from OPWC and are eager to get this project moving forward” said Matt Peoples, Director of Public Service for the City of Canal Winchester. “Traffic congestion at this intersection has been an issue for years and the severe angle of the right turn can be tricky to maneuver” says Peoples. Design has already begun and construction will commence the early part of 2014.

The Ohio Public Works Commission provides grants and loans for local governments to build and maintain their infrastructure through the State Capital Improvement (SCIP) and the Local Transportation Improvement (LTIP) programs. Roads, bridges, culverts, water supply, wastewater systems, storm water collection and solid waste facilities are eligible for assistance. Local governments apply for funding through one of the nineteen District Public Works Integrating Committees in Ohio.

For questions related to the Gender Road Phase III project please call the Public Service Department at 614-834-5100. Questions related to funding through SCIP and LTIP should be directed to the Ohio Public Works Commission at (614) 466-0880.

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